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1. The rail line between Bialystok and Frankfurt/Oder has been reconstructed for wide Russian gauge by the addition of a third rail from Eydtkau, East Prussia, to Frankfurt/Oder. Currently under reconstruction are lines from Frankfurt/Oder to Eberswalde, Stralsund, and the Töpchin ammunition depot. Completion of the work in progress has been scheduled for 30 September 1947.
2. During July and August two to three trains daily, each consisting of sixty freight cars, arrived in Berlin and proceeded to Thuringia. These trains, hauling infantry and artillery ammunition, came from the east via Bialystok.
3. Sources have seen an original train schedule calling for the following rail movements:
 - 2-7 September: Four trains daily, fifty freight cars each, with blasting and artillery ammunition to arrive at the Berlin-Schönneweide freight station for unloading.
 - 9 September: As of this date there is to be increased transportation of guns, tanks, and ammunition to Thuringia, Mecklenburg, and Saxony from Bialystok. The schedule provides for five to six trains daily.
 - 12-18 September: During this period, two ammunition trains (daily?) each with sixty-five freight cars, are to make the run between the Töpchin ammunition depot and Jotha.
4. Two trains, each with sixty freight cars, run twice weekly from the Ukraine via Bialystok.
5. Train No. 103 with Engine No. 58148, "Kolonne 15", makes two weekly trips between Bialystok and Mecklenburg. Carrying a double crew, this train is currently hauling tank ammunition. Another undesignated train, with Engine No. 46130, "Kolonne 12", transports ammunition for motorized units as well as foodstuffs.

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